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[COAST RECORD.]

JUBILEE'S GREAT DAY

GRAND HISTORICAL PARADE
INTERESTING FEATURE.

Large Gathering of Veterans, Forty-
miners, Military and Distinguished
Personages from All Parts of
the Golden State.

Early Days in California Pictured in
the Evening at the Theater—Native
Sons Bestow Medals on Spanish
War Volunteers.

Only One Dead in Lighter Mine Cave-
in—Raisin Men May Form a Com-
bine—Historical Parade at San
Jose—Actor Bankrupt.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]

SAN JOSE, Dec. 21.—This is the
great day of the Golden Jubilee cele-
bration, and it has been a great day
for San Jose, indeed. The skies were
clear and the air crisp, just cold
enough to add life to all. Visitors
from all sections of the State were
pouring into the city on each train
yesterday, and regular and special
trains today brought many more. The
town was up early, and the marshals
and aides scurrying about to get
things in shape for the great historical
parade. The booming of the guns of
Light Battery C, Third Artillery, at
10:20 o'clock, announced that the
parade was forming, and told every
one to get in line.

At 11 o'clock the ringing of the fire
bells marked the start of the parade
of the line to move. This had been
formed on Third street, near Santa
Clara, a platoon of police leading,
followed by the battalion and Co. E.
All divisions were ready and on line
at designated places promptly.
Thousands lined the streets. One of the
largest crowds ever seen here,
stretching necks to see the parade.
The parade was far and away the
greatest in a historical way ever seen
in the city, and at the same time
did not suffer in numbers. Disting-
uished men from various parts of
the State; city and county officials
with military men followed the mili-
tary forces. Behind them came floats
representing education, miners' mis-
sions, California, and what not.

A distinctive feature of the parade
was the great number of pioneers and
veterans. It can scarcely be hoped
that so many will ever again gather
together at a celebration, for many
are feeble and aged. They seemed
much affected by what they saw. It
was after 1 o'clock when the parade
was disbanded. Then those who en-
listed in the volunteer force during the
war with Spain gathered in front of
the Courthouse, where each man was
given a medal, which had been donated
by the Grand Pacific Native Sons.
The officers of the N.S.G.W. had charge,
and while the exercises were brief,
they were exceedingly interesting.

OLD CALIFORNIA PICTURED.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
SAN JOSE, Dec. 21.—At the close of
the parade, all California pioneers and
Mexican war veterans were entertained
at luncheon by the Santa Clara County
Pioneer Society at Sleeper Hall, where
hospitality was rendered to fully
1000 persons. This hall was general
headquarters for pioneers and veterans
throughout the day and evening.

The New York Social Club, the
ladies' general reception committee
and Mayor Martin also kept open
house, the first organization at Hale's
Hall, the second in the halls of Depar-
ments Two and Three of the Superior
Court, and the Mayor at his office. All
served refreshments, and at the Court-
house and at Hale's Hall, music was
provided for dancing.
At the Auditorium Theater this even-
ing, a grand entertainment was given
to which admission was free to all hold-
ing either Pioneer, Mexican veterans or
guests badges. The programme was
typical of both old and new California.
Illustrative of the early days was given
at a reproduction of a Mexican fan-
dango, Lotta dancing in a mining camp,
and a number of beautiful historical
tableaux.
Five-minute speeches were made by
Rev. Dr. McCall on "Education," and
by Gen. W. H. Bennett on "Representa-
tion." Gen. Gage, on the "Condition of
the State." "New California" was illus-
trated by a flower review, flag drill and
fancy dances by children.
The various headquarters will be kept
open tomorrow for the entertainment
of visitors, and in the afternoon there
will be old-fashioned cowboy sports at
Agricultural Park, including broncho
riding, lassoing and tying of bullocks.

LIGHTNER MINE CAVE-IN.

RECENT RAINS CAUSED IT.

[A. P. DAY REPORT.]
STOCKTON, Dec. 21.—The latest par-
ticulars from the disaster in the Light-
ner mine at Angel's Camp are to the
effect that all the imprisoned miners
with the exception of Fisher have been
taken out alive. Whitton, who was
taken out last night, is still suffering
from a badly fractured collar bone and
numerous bruises, but will recover and
his arm will be saved. John McKewin was
more fortunate. He was liberated early
this morning. Though he was found all
doubled up by a large rock and some of
the timbering, with the result that it was
crushed off between the wrist and the
elbow, and amputation was found to
be necessary. The operation was per-
formed this morning.
The body of Fisher has not yet been
recovered, but Foreman Schell de-
clares that he knows where the body is.
He expressed the fear, however, that
there is little hope of finding Fisher
alive. The rescuing party is still at
work removing the obstructions.
Fisher was about 50 years of age and
leaves a widow and three married
daughters.
It is believed that the cause of the
cave-in was due to recent heavy rains,
which so moistened the ground that
the eight feet beyond the timbering, be-
ing unsupported, caved in. There was
nine men at work at that point at the
time, and it is regarded as miraculous
that only one was killed. The five men
working under the timbers, with the
exception of one, were rescued by a
rock, escaped without a scratch.

CHEAP LIBERTY.

FOLSON'S UNWELCOME GUEST.
[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—About
two years ago J. Buiglenno, an Ital-
ian, was convicted in the United States
District Court of having counterfeited
tools in his possession and was sen-
tenced by Judge De Haven to serve
a term of two years in Folson penitenti-
ary and to pay a nominal fine of \$2.
On November 23 of this year Buiglenno's
sentence, or rather the time por-
tion of it, having expired, the prisoner
was notified that he would be given
his liberty upon the payment of the \$2

fine. This Buiglenno refused to pay,
and when Prison Warden Wilkinson
requested him to take the pauper's
oath, the Italian absolutely declined to
do so. He also objected to a propo-
sition to deduct the fine from the \$2 al-
lowed a prisoner on his release from the
penitentiary, declining to accept
less than that amount and refusing
to leave the prison until it was paid.
Warden Wilkinson is in a quandary
what to do with his unwelcome guest.

RAISIN-GROWERS MEET.

PACKERS' COMBINE PROPOSED.
[A. P. DAY REPORT.]
FRESNO, Dec. 21.—At the meeting
this afternoon of the directors of the
Raisin Growers' Association it was de-
clared as the sense of the meeting to
recommend a combine or association
of the raisin-packers, and to call a
mass meeting of packers and growers
to be held in the future. The idea
favored was that the growers be per-
mitted to take stock in the proposed
packers' association, so that a mutual-
ity of interests may be established.

LOU STOCKWELL BANKRUPT.

ACTOR FILES HIS PETITION.
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—L. R.
Stockwell, the actor, filed a petition
in bankruptcy in the United States
District Court today. His liabilities
are \$10,535; assets, \$100 worth of house-
hold goods which are exempt. Freder-
ick Boyd of Sacramento also filed a
petition. Liabilities \$317.15, no assets.

Interior Savings Banks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The
reports of the forty-four interior sav-
ings banks show that the condition
of business at the close of business
hours the last day of November have
been received by the State Bank Com-
missioners. The footings show that the
handling of all is good, the total re-
sources being \$40,245,203. The amount
of deposits is \$24,317,177.

Shortridge's Former Home Burned.

SAN JOSE, Dec. 21.—The residence
of T. W. Shortridge, the well-known
horseman on Alameda near Race street,
was destroyed by fire this evening.
The loss is \$4000, with \$2500 insurance.
There was no one home at the time
of the fire, and the blaze is believed
to have been set by some jubilee cele-
brator. The place was formerly the
home of Senator Shortridge.

Former Los Angeles Killed.

SEATTLE, Dec. 21.—Theodore
Meyers, a lineman in the employ of
the Grant-street Electric Railway
Company, met death this afternoon
from the combined effects of an elec-
tric shock and a twenty-foot fall from
a pole, the fall being caused by the
shock. He was formerly a resident of
Los Angeles.

Hotel Man Hartman Dying.

OAKLAND, Dec. 21.—J. N. Hart-
man, a hotel man, who they say they
men on the coast, is not expected to
live through the night. He is suffer-
ing from an overdose of some drug,
believed to be morphine. Whether he
was taken with suicidal intent or not
is not known.

Ground for a Cannery.

STOCKTON, Dec. 21.—A deed was
recorded today by which the Califor-
nia Packing and Associated secured
ground for a large cannery to be built
there at once. The ground is a block
three hundred feet square, and the
price was \$8000. The plant will cost
\$20,000.

Death Sentence Confirmed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—The
Supreme Court has dismissed the ap-
peal of Joaquin Esalade, who killed
Charles E. Gates, an Oakland tamale
peddler, nearly two years ago. The
murderer made a confession, but an
appeal was made on a technicality.

JONES LOOKED IN.

SAYS ALL INDICATIONS POINT
TOWARD BRYAN.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Senator James
K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic
National Committee, looked into party
affairs at headquarters in the Unity
building today. He assured everybody
that the prospects for Democratic suc-
cess next year are brighter than
they were in 1898. He said only W.
J. Bryan would be mentioned as can-
didate for President in the convention.
The Senator denied a story sent out
from Washington that he had recali-
tated the system of collecting money
for a campaign fund, and had dis-
charged Richard S. Slater, one of the
collectors.
"The system of collecting money," he
continued, "was inaugurated by me.
It has been a success, and is worthy
of the support of all Democrats. There
are no differences between Ex-Gov.
Stone and myself, and never have been.
I approve all he did while I was in
Europe."
The Senator also said that the se-
lection of Sam B. Cook for manager of
the Ways and Means Committee was
made at his request. He approved J.
C. Johnson's work as chairman of the
Executive Committee. With reference
to next year's contest the Senator said:
"No doubt the convention will reaffirm
the Chicago platform. It will declare
against imperialism, and in favor of
regulating trusts. I think, too, that it
will condemn the efforts which have
been made to common to control elec-
tions by the use of money. In my
opinion, the passage of the bill es-
tablishing the gold standard will aid
us greatly."
The Senator said he never saw such
a diversity of opinion as to where the
nominee for Vice-President should
come from.

Regarding the Currency Bill, Sen-
ator Jones said: "I think the adoption
of a gold-standard bill by the present
Congress would have an enormous ef-
fect in shaping the money issue. It
is a declaration on the part of the
Republican party for which it will
have to answer. A gold bill, if adopted
by the Senate—and there is no doubt
in my mind that the present bill sub-
stantially will be accepted by the Sen-
ate—will force the Republicans to ex-
plain why they face, a strong act
of treason against the pronouncement
of the St. Louis platform."
The Senator figures that the Cur-
rency Bill could command fifty and
possibly fifty-two votes in the Senate.
MILWAUKEE IS HOPEFUL.
[A. P. EARLY A. M. REPORT.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—A special to the
Chronicle from Milwaukee, Wis., says
the committee having charge of the
work to bring the National Democratic
Convention to Milwaukee insists that
the chances of this city are the best.
Mayor Rose will go to Washing-
ton to do missionary work for the cause.

Keeping Out Contract Laborers.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—Local immi-
gration authorities are making de-
perate efforts to keep contract laborers
out of the country, and last week
thirty who had come here on the
steamship München were returned to
Germany. On the Hanover, which ar-
rived on Monday, were 100 men who
have no money, and who are bound
by contract to work in Pennsylvania.
It is suspected they are contract
laborers, and they are detained at
Loxust Point, pending an investigation.

WANTED HIS FACE
PICTURED IN A NEWSPAPER.SO OLD JOHN GARDINER SHOOT
HIS YOUNG WIFE.

Would-be Murderer Then Kills Him-
self in the Presence of the Police
Officers—Couple Had Been Married
but a Short Time, and Were Living
Apart on Account of His Bad Habits.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
BINGHAMTON (N. Y.) Dec. 21.—
John Edgar Gardiner, in order to get
his picture in print, shot his young
wife and then killed himself today.
Gardiner was 60 years of age, and his
wife 29. They had been married but a
short time, and were living apart on
account of his bad habits.

On several occasions he had asked
how she would like to see her picture
in a local paper. His wife took fright
at this and forbade him to speak to
her on the subject. He called at the
house today and asked her to come out
as he was going West. She declined,
and he forced his way into her apart-
ments, and saying, "See what I have
brought you," drew a revolver and shot
her twice, one bullet passing through
her arm, the other entering her side.
The woman was able to rush from
the house to a neighbor's. When the
police officers arrived Gardiner walked
to the center of the room in full view
of the officers and, placing the weapon
to his head, killed himself.

GOLD ENGAGEMENTS.

AT LEAST TWO MILLIONS WILL
BE SHIPPED.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Sterling bank-
ers predicted today numerous gold
engagements for Saturday, but all said
it was impossible to estimate with ac-
curacy how much the shipments would
amount to. One firm reported that it
might ship from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000,
as the requirements suggested. To-
morrow's requirements were not known,
and in other quarters it was believed
that at least \$5,000,000, altogether,
would go out. At present rates the
margin of profit on gold exports would
be small. The demand for gold for
the metal abroad was sufficient to
make "special transactions" profitable
at this time. It was said today that
Heldbach, Lohde and Co., and
Muller, Schall & Co. might each ship
\$500,000.

A well-known marine underwriter
said insurance companies were not
morrow for as much gold as local
banks cared to send by the Eturia.
Although \$5,000,000 might be a large
sum to risk on any one steamer, it
that liability would probably be as-
sumed by insurance companies if bank-
ing interests demanded it.

ADVANCES AT LONDON.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Daily
Chronicle's financial expert says he
understands that the Bank of England
has made advances against £2,000,000
gold to arrive from New York, in-
cluding Saturday's shipment.

American Locomotives in France.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—The loco-
motives built and shipped some months
ago by the Baldwin Works for the
State railways of France, the first
American engines ever run in that
country, have in the short time they
have been in service, demonstrated
their excellence to the entire satisfac-
tion of the French government. As a
consequence the Baldwin works have
been favored with another order. The
locomotives are to be completed by early
summer so that they can be used in
connection with the rush of travel to
the Paris Exposition.

Financial Situation Improved.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The local
banks are still depositing United States
bonds at the subtreasury to secure the
posits by the Treasury Department of
national revenue receipts under the
plan of Secretary Gage. The amount
is not so large as it was during the
stringency in the early part of the
week, a fact of hopeful significance.
Half a million in bonds was deposited
before noon today. The banks with
nearly 7,000,000 on Tuesday morning.

Christmas Mails Delayed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The with-
drawal of the White Star liners Ma-
jestic, Cymric and Adriatic, and the
Cunard liner Umbria, all royal mail
steamships, from service, for the pur-
pose of being turned into British army
transports, has upset the plans of the
postal authorities for the prompt de-
livery of Christmas mails from Europe.
The withdrawal of these four steam-
ships necessitates the use of slower
traveling steamships. The change will
cause considerable delay in the hand-
ling of thousands of mail bags.

No Mormons Wanted There.

CHARLESTON (S. C.) Dec. 21.—
Mormon elders have established a
church at which eight Mormon elders
are at work near Ridgeland. The State
Legislature has been asked by a peo-
ple of Hampton county to work for
the law to extirpate the elders, and the
petitioners say that prompt legislation
may save them from the violence that
some sister States have had in trying
to rid themselves of this sect.

Wagner Car Official's Suicide.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—James
Duane Taylor, one of the important
officials in New York City of the Wagner
Palace Car Company, and a partner
of the founder of the company, com-
mitted suicide today, shortly after noon
at the Grafton Hotel in this city, by
cutting his throat with a razor. Tay-
lor was suffering from some nervous
affection caused by illness, and the
fatal act was committed apparently on
the impulse of the moment. The sui-
cide was 63 years of age.

Dynamited a Street Car.

SPRINGFIELD (Ill.) Dec. 21.—For
the third time since the strike was
declared against the Springfield Con-
solidated Railway, November 10, a
street-car was dynamited at 11:20
o'clock tonight. The car was blown
off the track and completely wrecked.
No passengers were aboard, and the
motorman and conductor were not
injured. The explosion happened in
the heart of the city at Eighth street
and Capitol avenue, and caused great
excitement.

Spanish War Veteran Shot.

NATICK (Mass.) Dec. 21.—Lewis
Perry, aged 33, a Spanish war veteran,
was shot and killed today by Miss Liz-
zette Morse at his home in Natick.
Four shots were fired, two of
them taking effect, one in the heart.
Miss Morse was placed under arrest.
She says Perry smashed the windows
and climbed into the house, knocking
her down with a mallet.

Russian Cereals Increase.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 21.—The
Central Agricultural Bureau has pub-
lished a report showing an increase of
20 per cent in winter cereals over 1898,
and an increase of 17 per cent over the
average of the last five years.

SWIFT COMPANY'S CLAIM.

GOVERNMENT WILL PAY FOR
THE MANITOBA BEEF CARGO.

[A. P. DAY REPORT.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Mr. Trace-
well, the Comptroller of the Treasury,
has passed upon the claim of Swift
& Co. of Chicago for the price of 300,000
pounds of fresh beef, which, accord-
ing to contract, was shipped from
Newport News, Va., August 5, 1898, for
use of the army in Puerto Rico. The
record shows that the Manitoba,
the transport on which the beef was
shipped, arrived off Ponce August 10,
where she ran on a reef and the cap-
tain killed the 1100 head of cattle direct-
ly of the transport made an effort to
have the beef sent to the troops on
shore, but the officers in charge re-
fused to receive the beef until August 25,
as there was no refrigerating plant on
shore. On the same day she returned
to Ponce, where she remained until
September 7, and was then ordered to
Montauk Point, N. Y., when the beef
was found to be unfit for issue, and
was thrown overboard.
The board of survey found that the
loss by the spoiling of the beef was
not due to any negligence or fault on
the part of the contractors. The
Comptroller finds that at the time of
its condemnation the beef was the
property of the United States, and di-
rects that the claim be settled ac-
cordingly.

CONGRESSMAN BOUTELLE.

ILL AT BOSTON WITH CONGRES-
SION OF BRAIN.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
BOSTON, Dec. 21.—Congressman C.
A. Boutelle of Maine, who is at
Young's Hotel, has been taken seri-
ously ill. The nature of his trouble is
not given out.

Every endeavor was made to keep
news of the Congressman's illness
quiet. A bulletin given out this (Fri-
day) morning stated that the Con-
gressman was suffering from congest-
ion of the brain, induced by a severe
attack of indigestion. It was the op-
inion of the physicians that the malady
is only temporary.

PLIGHT OF WITNESSES.

HUNDREDS OF FARMERS IN DES-
TITUTE CONDITION.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
PALESTINE (Tex.) Dec. 21.—The
witnesses who are here in attendance
on the trial of the alleged Humphreys
lynchers are in a bad plight. The trial
of Cain, charged as an accomplice,
will be conducted tomorrow night, but
the cases against the seven men
charged as principals will not be taken
up until next Wednesday, each of
them being given a separate trial. Be-
tween three and four hundred farmers
are here from Kaufman, Navarro and
Henderson counties without means of
subsistence. It has been raining now
for three days, and the nights are bit-
terly cold. Some three hundred of the
witnesses are in camp, and there is
much sickness among them, caused by
the exposure. They are among stran-
gers in straightened circumstances,
while there are preparations for holi-
days about them, which adds to their
distress. The nearest ship is one
those summoned as character wit-
nesses, who receive no pay whatever,
and are compelled to attend under
heavy penalties.

PACIFIC COAST FARMERS.

WILL BE TURNED INTO UNCLE
SAM'S SAILORS.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The converted
cruiser Dixie arrived from Philadelphia
today, having on board 300 landsmen
from the Mississippi Valley, who are
to be converted into sailors.

Commander John M. Huxley of the
Hartford, which now is at San Fran-
cisco, is recruiting farmers from the
Pacific Slope and will bring them to
this port. He is expected here in
April. Both ships, with the recruits
aboard, will circumnavigate the globe,
showing them how to follow the sea and
manage Uncle Sam's navy.
Since the restoration of peace it has
been difficult to get sailors to enlist
in the navy. It is thought that the
present plan will soon provide all the
men required, and also that a better
class of men will be obtained for the
new battleships Keokuk, Kentucky,
Alabama, New Jersey and other ships
which will be placed in commission in
the spring.

The Dixie will remain in drydock un-
til after Christmas, when she will go
to Norfolk, thence to the West Indies,
and later to Europe, probably to
France first of all. No other govern-
ment has ever tried to make sailors out
of farmers, and the experiment will be
watched with interest by the naval
powers of the world.

Glass Trust Heavily Mortgaged.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—The
glass tableware trust, known as the
National Glass Company, is sending
out circulars containing among other
things, a confession of its financial state
until now. It is signed by H. C. Erick,
the president, who says the trust has
secured control of 87 per cent of the
business of the glass tableware trust
sary to bond the property for \$2,000,-
000 to care for visible expenses. The
trust has filed mortgages on the prop-
erty in every State in the country
in which it has a foothold.

Gold Mine Near San Diego.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 21.—A special
from Jamestown, N. D., says: "Mayor
T. Butler, late cashier of the Edgely
Bank, has struck a gold mine near San
Diego, Cal., which has created great
excitement, as being a wonder in its
way. Assays at a depth of forty-nine
feet show gold quartz running 224 to
the ton. It is near the great Dewey
mine, which was recently capitalized at
\$1,000,000. An offer of \$200,000 has
been made for the claim by Illinois parties,
among whom Butler once resided."

BUSINESS PROGRESS.

Nothing indicates more surely the
metropolitan character of a city than
the size of the stock and character of
its goods carried by its retail stores.
In this feature Los Angeles impresses
visitors very favorably. In no other
store is the discrimination of the city's
most particular buyers more carefully
considered than in that of Parnelee-
Dohmann Co., 232-234 S. Spring st.
Reorganized on the foundation of the
old company, China Hall has within a
short time become widely known. At-
tention is particularly called to the art
rooms. They are unique, and alto-
gether unusual.
The cut-glass room, mirror lined and
thickly studded with electric lights,
presents a dazzling spectacle. The
cut-glass ware is in infinite variety.
The art room, with its bric-a-brac and
vases, in china and delft and metal, is
most pleasing to the true art lover.
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these beauties apart from the com-
mercial activities of the store.—Adv.

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112 S. Spring St.

STEREOTYPES REFUSE.

WILL NOT STRIKE TO HELP
PITTSBURGH PRINTERS.

[A. P. NIGHT REPORT.]
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 21.—In connec-
tion with the printers' strike in this
city, the stereotypers were ordered out
today to assist their fellow-workmen,
but, with the exception of two, all re-
fused to obey the order. They say the
printers were not ordered out to help
the stereotypers during the latter's
fight in Chicago recently, and they
consider themselves under no obliga-
tions as a body to the printers.
All the papers in the city, both morn-
ing and afternoon, are being published
as usual, notwithstanding the fact that
but few of their regular forces are on
duty.

Pacific Hospital Reception.

The Pacific Hospital, No. 1319 South
Grand avenue, was the scene of a
brilliant reception yesterday evening
on the occasion of the opening of that
institution. Twelve hundred invita-
tions were issued, and the rooms were
thronged with guests throughout the
reception hours, from 8 until 10:30
o'clock. The halls, reception rooms
and dining-room were decorated with
holly, carnations, roses, palms and
ferns. The colors were carried out
entirely in red and green, suggestive
of the approaching holiday season. The
verandas and roof garden were illumi-
nated with Japanese lanterns. An or-
chestra furnished music, and refresh-
ments were served in the dining
room. The tables were presided over
by the nurses of the hospital, who were
gowned in white uniforms. The Re-
ception Committee consisted of the
board of directors and incorporators, as
follows: Drs. E. C. Buck, H. G.
Cates, J. E. Cowles, J. K. Carson, L.
Dearth, F. R. Frost, Ralph Hagan,
J. S. Kirkpatrick, R. C. Kirkpatrick,
J. J. Still, C. E. Stoner, W. M.
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Ex-Gov. Bradley Charged With Ordering Out the Military Who Invaded the Voting Booths and Placed Other Officials Therein.

American Political League Calls for a Convention—Adj.-Gen. Case Refuses to Resign for Pingree—Baton Rouge State Convention.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.)
FRANKFORT (Ky.), Dec. 21.—The address to the Democracy of the State, endorsing the contest instituted by Goebel and other candidates of the defeated Democratic ticket and giving the reasons therefor, was issued to-night. It is signed by former Senator Blackburn, chairman of the State Campaign Committee. Chairman Young of the State Central and Executive committees, and all of the members of those committees. It says, in part:

"The State Board of Election Commissioners at its recent session issued certificates of election to all of the Republican candidates for State offices, but the board expressly declared in its opinion that it rendered that it acted simply as a canvassing board without power or authority, as it construed the law, to inquire into the legality or validity of any contested vote. The board expressed the opinion that if clothed with the authority to go behind the returns and determine the matters in contention, the certificates of election would not have been issued to the parties who received them. We feel that in the light of the action of this board, the Democratic party cannot do less than to carry its contention to the tribunals created by law for its determination. The grounds upon which this contest is based, consist of the protest against the use of tissue ballots in many of the overwhelmingly Republican counties of the State.

"Another ground for contest is because of the plain violation and defiance of law by the late Republican Governor in the making of stump speeches and the prosecution of a partisan canvass, ordered out the military, who invaded the voting booths and forced into them, against protests of the lawfully-appointed election officials, pretended inspectors and challengers, and the use of the State has decided, had no lawful right to be present.

"The issuance of the certificates of election to the Republican party is contested upon the further ground that a Federal and also a State judge, without warrant of law and in defiance of every principle of fair dealing and decency, interfered with the holding of the State election; the one by menacing charges to a grand jury and by the employment of deputy United States marshals, and the other by issuing every mandamus and injunction asked for by the Republican party, which in the platform adopted in its State convention, dared to advocate measures of relief demanded by the people of the Commonwealth."

CONVICTED OF COLONIZING.
(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Samuel Goldberger, the saloon-keeper and Tammany election-district captain of the First Election District, of the Eighth Assembly District, who was convicted of colonizing in the recent election, was today sentenced to two years' imprisonment in Sing Sing.

MICHIGAN SCANDAL.
CASE REFUSES TO RESIGN.
(A. P. DAY REPORT.)
LANSING (Mich.), Dec. 21.—Adj.-Gen. Case today sent a letter to Gov. Pingree refusing to comply with the Governor's request for his resignation. Gen. Case says that he was not present at the meeting of the State military board, at which the alleged dishonest deal in military supplies was ordered, and had no part in the transaction. He asserts, further, that the records of the board show no action inimical to the State.

The Governor has received the resignations of Quartermaster-General White and Gen. Marsh. Both state that they can establish their innocence on trial.

Both branches of the Legislature adjourned today until next Wednesday. Some of the Pingree representatives sought to prevent the adjournment, but without avail. The Senate passed the House joint resolution authorizing proceedings to recover the money alleged to be lost to the State by the military board deal.

POLITICAL LEAGUE CALL.
(A. P. DAY REPORT.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The American Political League has issued a call for a national convention for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States, to be held in Boston July 4, 1900. The councils of each State are directed to appoint two delegates at large.

LOUISIANA DEMOCRATS.
NOMINATE STATE CANDIDATES.
(A. P. DAY REPORT.)

BATON ROUGE (La.), Dec. 21.—At the Democratic State Convention today Senator Estopinal of St. Bernard parish was nominated for Lieutenant-Governor, and John T. Michel of New Orleans was nominated to succeed himself as Secretary of State. The resolutions adopted support the Chicago platform, denouncing trusts, favor the Federal control of levees and the building of the isthmian canal, and the deepening of the passes of the Mississippi River, and endorse the administration of Gov. Foster.

Bryan Sails for Brazil.
NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Col. Charles Page Bryan, Minister to Brazil, with his three secretaries, Edward Winslow Ames of Boston, Graham Jones of Chicago and Charles M. E. Hyatt of Wheaton, Ill., sailed today for Brazil, via Havre, on the steamer L'Aquitaine of the French line. Col. Bryan has been on a sixty-day furlough.

TEXAS TRAGEDY.

RIVAL ATTORNEYS' "QUARREL ENDS IN A KILLING."

(A. P. DAY REPORT.)
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Dallas, Tex., says that F. M. Etheridge, one of the most prominent lawyers in the city, today shot Attorney Edwin O. Harrell, who is equally well known, four times, in a crowded elevator in the North Texas building. Harrell died later at his home. Harrell had a pistol half cocked in his hand as he fell in the lobby in front of the elevator shaft. Etheridge is in custody. The men were employed as counsel on opposite sides in a litigation involving cotton-mill property, and quarreled concerning professional affairs.

GLOBE BANK OF BOSTON HAS GONE UNDER.

DIRECTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS WILL LOSE HEAVILY.

News of the Appointment at Washington of a Receiver Takes the "Hub of the Universe" by Surprise. Flurry in Copper Shares Predicted for Today.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Comptroller Dawes this evening appointed Special Examiner Daniel G. Wing, temporary receiver of the Globe National Bank of Boston. The condition of the bank was described by Special Examiner Wing in time to secure such action on the part of the directors as will probably prevent the failure from inflicting heavy losses upon the depositors, but the directors and stockholders will lose heavily. The bank, it is understood, was involved in the Squire failure and in mining stocks.

BOSTON PEOPLE SURPRISED.

(A. P. NIGHT REPORT.)
BOSTON, Dec. 21.—The news that a receiver had been appointed for the Globe National Bank has taken this city by surprise. While the bank was known to have been in distress ten days ago, presumably over the decline in copper specialties, chiefly United States Mining Company stocks, it was thought the crisis had passed. This was borne out to all external appearances in the market by the reassuring tone of dealings the past few days. The Boston clearinghouse came to the assistance of the Globe bank, although when the Broadway National Bank was later in trouble, the same body declined to offer assistance.

President H. H. Stevens, who succeeded Charles H. Cole some months ago, absolutely refused to say anything regarding the Comptroller's action. The failure is one of the most startling and far-reaching since the closing of the Maverick Bank eight years ago, and as it intimately involved the value of Boston's pet copper stocks, the outcome tomorrow is anxiously awaited.

The bank has been in difficulty for some months, in fact, ever since the resignation of Charles H. Cole, for many years its president. Mr. Cole's retirement caused a sensation at the time, for it was known that he was heavily interested in the copper mine known as the United States Mining Company. One of the directors, Mr. H. Stevens, was elected to fill the position of president and since then has done everything to keep the bank from going under. Every method was adopted to keep up the tone of the market in copper shares and it was expected that the bank would gradually be able to realize on a greater part of the loans on these stocks without loss. The tight money market, coupled with the great decline in all stocks, however, carried down the coppers and last Thursday, the bank was forced to call upon the clearinghouse for assistance. After a consultation the clearinghouse agreed to the rescue and issued \$2,000,000 in certificates to enable the Globe to meet its indebtedness to other banks.

During the past week the withdrawals from the bank have been exceedingly heavy, amounting it is said to over \$2,000,000 in deposits. A flurry in copper stocks is anticipated at the opening of the Stock Exchange tomorrow.

STATUS OF SAMOA.

GERMAN FLAG NOT HOISTED—TROUBLES EXAGGERATED.

(A. P. DAY REPORT.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The following statement is made by the German officials here:

A press telegram of the 13th inst. from Apia, via Auckland, reports that the German Consul at Apia has solemnly proclaimed the pending annexation of Upolu and Savaii by Germany to a number of Samoan officials on board the German man-of-war, and that on the same day he hoisted the German flag on the Supreme Court building.

"This report does not cover the reports received in Berlin from the German Consul in Apia, and according to the instructions which he has received from Berlin, it seems absolutely untrue."

"The German Consul has likewise wired on the 13th inst. but he simply states that certain Tanu chiefs have refused to pay the head tax imposed by the three consuls, hence they had been ordered to leave the districts by the thirteen chiefs. The three consuls have instructed the thirteen chiefs to send the aggressors to Apia for trial. This has been agreed upon."

The State Department has had no message from our Consul at Apia to confirm the reports of fresh trouble in Samoa, and this fact is regarded as sufficient to show that any slight disturbance that may have occurred has been magnified in the report.

The officials are confident that whatever trouble may occur will not be chargeable to the German officials, as the German government is quite as anxious as our own that the pending treaty providing for a permanent settlement of the whole Samoan question shall not be endangered at this critical stage.

LUCKY KLONDIKERS.

CHICAGO WOMAN NOT DEAD BUT ALIVE AND RICH.

(A. P. DAY REPORT.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Dr. Luella Day, who two years ago left here for the Klondike, and whose death in a snow-slide was reported later, arrived at the Auditorium Hotel today and was registered by Edward McConnell, also a "Klondiker," as his wife. Mrs. McConnell declared that after a couple of years which she and her husband spent in travel, she and her husband will return to Chicago and erect a home and hospital for the treatment of crippled children.

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Eiderdown, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 and up.

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Evening shades, 25c, 50c, 75c upwards.

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THE ANAHEIM ORCHARD, FARM, GARDEN, RANCHO AND STOCKYARD.

THE WASHINGTON NAVEL.

Fruitfulness in Old Age.

The horticultural editor of the Los Angeles Times recently called my attention to a quite common belief he had found to exist among the growers, that the Washington navel tree had a tendency to barrenness due to lack of vigor as it grew old. He asked for my opinion and desired me to investigate and give him my opinion in writing upon this subject. The condition of some of my own trees and the opinion expressed by that careful student of such matters, W. C. Fuller of Colton, had led me to have doubt regarding the future fruitfulness of this orange. Mr. Fuller had discovered in orchards all over Southern California a disposition of the finer varieties to revert to primitive and inferior types, and was at one time disposed to think that there was great danger of deterioration. The condition of many well-located orchards seemed to justify the suspicion he held. I was reluctant to accept this view, but undertook a careful examination of most of the oldest groves at Riverside with a determination to find if there was any inherent weakness which occasioned the scant and light-colored foliage, and, the small or medium crops, or if there was other cause for such condition, a means of cure.

The questions I here present are, then: Is there a lack of vitality in the tree as it grows old? If there appears to be, what is the cause, and can we remove it?

I find that there is a radical difference in the condition of the oldest groves. Some are remarkably beautiful and productive, and others are light of color and scant of fruit. In some fairly good orchards there are sections in which the trees are unhealthy, and this to an extent to reduce the yield to an unsatisfactory figure. The fact that the good and bad orchards, and the larger number which are neither very good nor very bad, are located under practically identical conditions of soil, climate and irrigation facilities, is proof enough that the cause of unsatisfactory conditions of tree and product is not due to any constitutional weakness of the tree, but to differing methods of treatment. I am thoroughly convinced that the tree is above the average in vitality, and that there is no justification for the belief that it is to become non-productive as it grows old.

It is a fact that cannot be denied that many of the oldest orchards are yielding light crops, and that their foliage lacks that dark rich green characteristic of the thoroughly healthy orchard tree. But I am satisfied that the fault is not with the tree, but with the owner. It is true that the young bearing orchard average better crops than do the old ones. But it is also true that the very best trees, the richest foliage and heaviest bearing are the oldest in the valley. These facts point clearly to causes outside of the tree itself for the unsatisfactory condition of many orchards, and having satisfied myself that many of the oldest orchards were the best, thought it proper to discover why it was that adjacent orchards having identical natural conditions, were either a burden to their owners, or at best returned but a very moderate net income.

It cannot be denied that three or four causes are due to the failure of many groves. I do not mean absolute failure in all cases, but failure as compared to the best. I do not think that the orchardist will admit his fault in the matter. I find a majority deny conditions in their groves which are apparent enough to an unprejudiced investigator.

First—We do not feed the trees sufficiently. The navel bears every year, and sooner or later the soil of the navel tree is exhausted. The soil is not renewed from time to time. Second—We do not stir the soil to a sufficient depth, and we take all the pains we should to pulverize it finely. In the rich, red, clayey soil most prized because it produces the highest colored and best keeping fruit, there is invariably a tendency to form a crust of some impervious soil below the depth regularly reached by the plow and the water is scarce, but the best results are obtained where no attention is paid to the theory of frequent irrigation, and water is regularly supplied.

A point to which I wish to call your attention is that in every one of the healthy and productive old orchards every one of these three points of treatment is followed. It is true that while I find not one of the ordinary or inferior orchards in which either one or two, and sometimes all three, are disregarded. I do not mean to say that there is need of improvement. Old orange groves will not be profitable unless we use intelligent labor, ample plant food and regular irrigation.

Where unhealthy trees exist because of a shallow soil, or where the rise of surface water has made the locality unfit for citrus fruits, or where the frost too often does injury, what I have said does not apply. Such conditions it is impossible to overcome. No man can study the condition of our old orchards without having proof supplied to the truth of the scriptures to the effect that "To him who hath shall be given." Men of wealth who dare to invest heavily in fertilizers every season, and whose orchards neither want for intelligent labor nor for irrigation, are the ones whose dividends are assured and regular. Handicapped with a heavy mortgage, the intelligent and shrewd orchardist may be forced to try to extract profit from his grove, with the least possible annual expenditure, and may make thorough cultivation and faithful attention serve fairly well

with a scant supply of fertilizer. But he cannot attain the results achieved by him who adds to these methods the ability to furnish the fertilizing elements needed.

I have pointed out the fact that certain old orchards have maintained health and productiveness, while others, having equal if not superior natural conditions, have proved either moderately profitable or sources of loss to their owners. Many of the less successful groves have not apparently been neglected, and it may be that only one of the three essentials to success. It is possible that the calling of the attention of their owners to the practices which have been followed by the more successful groves, and the need of improving their methods, instead of drifting along in the easier, conventional method which is common. Young orchards generally pay, while the soil is virgin and its abuse has not begun to affect the product. It will be well if the owner who has always been contented with the yield of his orchard, and who has not yet begun to feel the need of constant and faithful labor, and a generous feeding of the soil before its best days have been extracted. Providence has given to each orchardist, in the natural fertility of his soil, a little capital with which to work. He cannot draw upon it without loss, and he must maintain it. It is because this is gone that we hear of the decadence of the older orange trees, and to nothing but the vigor he has had seen in his own tree, and the experience, and it will be well if the later comers shall benefit by them.

General statements regarding my conclusions may have more force if I give brief reference to the method of successful growers. There are few orchards in the valley which are better known for the quality of their fruit than W. H. Backus. Though he has never aimed to induce force his trees to bear, he has secured regular crops of fine-textured fruit. His orchard is one of the very best in the valley. He has the advantage of having been planted on a red soil. The soil is heavy. If there were anything in the claim of the navel tree to be a navel tree, it should find justification here. And yet the trees are generally fine in color, and always well loaded with fruit. What methods have he followed to secure uniform excellence of this orchard? Mr. Backus has always used fertilizers liberally, always giving from a ten to a ton and a half to the acre. He says he made the mistake of using a smaller quantity than usual last year, and applied it too late, and is satisfied that he is a loser by doing so. He thinks it a serious mistake to wait until the trees show need before giving water. To allow the soil to bake, and then to water, is a mistake. He has been planting a new white winter pearmain tree was planted several years ago, but it proved to be a New York pipin. The first bloom on that tree appeared in 1898. The bloom was a little later than that of the white winter pearmain, which stand on all sides of it, but the blossoms were of the same color as the white winter pearmain blossoms. The white winter pearmain blossoms had disappeared.

The apple crop of 1898 in that orchard developed in a curious situation. Generally through the orchard the yield was scarcely large enough to be called a fair one. On the sides of the four white winter pearmain trees standing nearest to the New York pipin tree it was much different. The limbs on those sides were heavily laden with fruit. On the other side of the orchard the yield was better than that of the inner rows, which were not near the New York pipin tree. The crop of apples recently gathered from the same orchard has demonstrated again and in an apparently conclusive manner that the pollination is effective. The sides of the white winter pearmain trees nearest to the New York pipin tree were heavily fruited out of proportion to the rest of the orchard. The yield from the orchard for six years past has been as follows: 1894, 48,000 pounds; 1895, 50,000 pounds; 1896, 31,000 pounds; 1897, 29,000 pounds; 1898, 43,000 pounds; 1899, 93,000 pounds. Some allowance should, however, be made for the fact that in 1899, which have been favorable to large yields.

Every body knows the Barney Orchard, the largest of the original navel groves in the valley. It is the best of care, and if anything, has been over-fertilized at times, and yet, in spite of the harm the terminal branches get from the April frost, it is a marvelous beautiful today with its dark-green foliage and heavy crop of splendid fruit. It has water regularly, and is always thoroughly cultivated.

I might multiply such evidences of the effect of proper treatment. In every one of the three points of treatment referred to are those in which they differ from the less successful.

It is, however, proper to give a type of the best classes of orchards. The success has been attained where no special effort at ideal cultivation and irrigation has been attempted. Such a case is that of P. C. Chavira. He has an old orchard of ten acres and has yielded from four to seven thousand boxes annually for many years. I can say that the soil is of the best, and that the water is abundant, and that the trees are constantly yielding, but the fact that its owner never loses a chance to apply any kind of manures, natural or artificial, renders his success a good investment.

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Pentagon Lodge, No. 202, held its installation of officers Tuesday evening, followed by a banquet.

Southern California Lodge, No. 278, conferred the Fellowship degree Wednesday evening in the new work.

South Gate Lodge, No. 320, conferred the Master Mason degree Wednesday evening, and will have installation of officers next Friday evening.

Los Angeles Chapter, No. 33, R.A.M., will have installation of officers next Wednesday evening.

Signet Chapter, No. 57, R.A.M., conferred the Mark Master degree Monday evening.

Los Angeles Commandery, No. 9, Knights Templars, will have a Christmas observance next Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Valley de France Lodge, No. 329, has elected the following officers: Armand Cazeaux, W.M.; Louis Sentous, V.W.; Jean B. Barthe, J.W.; Ernest Fleury, Treasurer; Armand Le Mardeley, Secretary.

Odd Fellows.
GOLDEN RULE LODGE, No. 160, conferred the third degree Monday evening, and will have installation of officers next Friday evening.

No. 35, conferred the same degree Wednesday evening.

East Side Lodge, No. 325, had initiatory work Tuesday evening.

Hofor Lodge, No. 60, and Edelweiss Rebekah Lodge, No. 67, will join in giving a Christmas tree for the children of the members.

Among the visitors at Semi-Tropic Lodge, No. 30, Tuesday evening, were the following: Thomas Wellington, Good Will Lodge, No. 659, Ashley, Pa.; Frank D. Wortt, San Francisco, Cal.; W. Gardner, Los Angeles, Cal.; Michigan: Dr. R. J. de Puy, Jackson, Mich.

Hofor Lodge, No. 60, conferred the third degree on Thursday evening of last week.

Grand Master W. A. Bonnyne will go north Monday and will visit Petaluma Lodge, No. 29, next Tuesday; Columbia Lodge, No. 40, Wednesday, and will address a joint meeting at San Jose Thursday evening, returning to this city to institute Commercial Lodge Friday evening.

The contest between the lodge team and a picked team from Pasadena Lodge on Thursday evening of last week was hotly contested, and eventually won by the lodge team by three points. G. W. Stockwell, P.G. M.; D. D. Morley, V.G.; and J. Griffith, D.D.G.M., were the judges.

Grand Master W. A. Bonnyne has remembered the thirty-six children in the Orphans' Home by sending to each of the girls a doll, and to the boys a silk muffler each, besides a number of other trinkets.

The new Commercial Lodge, which was to have been instituted this evening, will be instituted on Saturday afternoon of next week, the last preliminary meeting to be held next Tuesday evening. There are nearly 100 names on the charter list, besides several members of eastern lodges, many of whom have not yet received their cards.

The work of instituting will be in charge of Grand Master W. A. Bonnyne. Los Angeles Lodge, No. 29, will confer the initiatory work; America Lodge, No. 385, the second degree; Semi-Tropic Lodge, No. 371, the third degree.

The Rebekahs.
A NEW lodge to be known as Jubilee, No. 239, was instituted Monday evening at San Francisco by Deputy Grand Master W. W. Watson.

The Rebekah lodges of the city are making up a box of fruit for the Orphans' Home Tuesday evening.

Eureka Lodge, No. 123, sent a box of toys to the Orphans' Home at Gilroy this week.

Columbia Lodge, No. 194, had initiatory work Monday evening.

The banquet given by Paloma Lodge on Thursday evening of last week was attended by about 150 persons. Miss Fidelia Anderson delivered an address of welcome which was responded to by Mrs. Ada Madison. Dr. Edelman responded to the toast, "To the Rebekahs," and Miss Grace Wassman to the toast, "To the Old Fellows."

Arbor Vitae Lodge, No. 83, had initiatory work Tuesday evening, and had among the visitors Mrs. Carrie Elliott, D.D.P., and Miss Dora Blanchard of Corona Lodge, No. 235.

Knights of Pythias.
GAUNTLET LODGE, No. 129, conferred the rank of Equinox Monday evening, and Marathon Lodge, No. 132, conferred the same rank Tuesday evening.

A new lodge was instituted at Oakdale last Friday by H. Schaffer, G.K. of R. and S.

Grand Chancellor H. R. Arndt has returned to his home in San Diego after a tour of official visits to the lodges in the northern portion of the State. Last week he visited the lodges in Sonoma county.

Knights of the Maccabees.
LOS ANGELES TENT, No. 2, initiated eight candidates and received four new applications on Wednesday evening. A number of visitors were present from the Philippines, Kansas and Colorado.

Commander-elect Hutchinson of California-Banner Tent, No. 6, delivered an address. This tent will receive the State banner shortly after January 1 as the largest tent in California.

Star Tent, No. 24, gave a basket social Tuesday evening, which was well attended.

J. W. Arbogast, D.S.C., has arrived in the city and will make his headquarters here for some time, working in the interest of the order.

California-Banner Tent, No. 6, initiated one candidate and received four applications Tuesday evening. A committee was appointed to arrange for an entertainment for the relief fund.

Ladies of the Maccabees.
MRS. EUDOCIA S. MOFFAT, State Deputy Commander, visited Long Beach, Redondo, Santa Monica, Vernon and Queen Esther hives and conducted schools of instruction.

A subcommittee of the Hospital and Inquiry Board met at the Delaware Thursday afternoon and in the evening Mrs. Moffat paid an official visit to Los Angeles Hive, No. 1.

Mrs. Moffat will return to San Francisco for the holidays, but will return to this city again shortly after the first of the year. While in the North she will assist the Central Committee in preparing for the reception of Miss Elina M. West, Supreme Record Keeper. In January, Mrs. Moffat will install the officers of the city hives upon her return from San Francisco.

Ancient Order United Workmen.
AMERICA LODGE, No. 365, has initiated twenty-two members the past term and has now twenty-one applications for membership on hand.

arranged by Los Angeles Lodge, No. 90.

From present indications it looks as if Los Angeles Lodge, No. 90, would receive the banner for the greatest increase in membership the past year.

Improved Order of Red Men.
A NEW tribe, to be known as Yosemite, was instituted in San Francisco Tuesday evening, with a charter membership of fifty.

Order of the Amaranth.
THE Royal Court of the Amaranth, at its annual election lately, elected the following officers: Mrs. H. E. Alexander, R.M.; R. E. Hewitt, R.P.; Mrs. Margaret Bemis, R.A.M.; Mrs. C. B. Fowler, Treasurer; Mrs. M. J. Greenman, Secretary; Miss Anderson, Conductress; Miss Estella B. Stoll, Assistant Conductress.

Royal Arcanum.
SUNSET COUNCIL, No. 1074, gave one of its social dances Monday evening, with the usual large attendance of the members and their friends.

The Royal Arcanum Social Club of Los Angeles Council gave last evening a progressive euchre card party to the friends and members of the order.

The official organ of the Grand Council has just made its appearance, called the Orator.

Modern Woodmen of America.
FIVE new camps will be instituted by District Deputy U. S. House next week. A new camp is being organized at Downey.

Golden State Camp, No. 710, received sixteen applications for membership, and initiated several candidates at the meeting Wednesday evening.

An open meeting will be held in the early part of January by Golden State Camp, No. 710, when State Deputy Judge J. F. Harris will return from the East.

MINES AND MINING.
DEMAND FOR CALIFORNIA GOLD PROPERTIES INCREASING.

Activity in Riverside County—Zinc Deposits Attracting Attention—Rich Silver Strike in Arizona—Big Mexican Property—The Elkhon's Great Strike—Mining Notes.

Whether it is or not because the war in South Africa has interrupted the production of gold in that country, it is a fact that gold-mining properties in California are being sought after more eagerly than ever before.

While the demand for them is not confined to this State, there is evidence to show that some preference is being given to California properties and a number have lately been purchased by eastern men.

People, who are heavily interested in copper mines, are now following the lead of New Yorkers and asking for gold properties. It is asserted that Boston capitalists have over \$10,000,000 worth of California mines, and are still buying.

So far, most of the purchases have been in the northern counties, but the Boston people have their eyes now looking over this southern field, and also in Arizona.

One reason for the present demand for gold properties in California is explained in the fact, as now known, that but few of the mines in this State have been worked to their paying depth.

The more work has been done, the more has been proved that there has been abandoned or had been allowed to remain idle, in the belief that they were a gold mine, but which are now being carried to a much greater depth.

Again, it has been proven that ores which were of so low grade as to be considered unprofitable, can be worked, if worked on a large scale, and made to pay well.

The result of all these things has been to greatly increase the demand for gold-bearing properties.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY.
The Perris New Era says there is more activity in the Perris district than there has been for years.

That paper reports receipt of advice from England to the effect that the English company which owns the Gavilan mines is negotiating for the purchase of the Santa Rosa mine.

This mine is a gold producer, and more gold has been taken from it in proportion to the amount of development work done on it than any other mine in the Perris district.

The Stanford is another mine in the Perris district on which it is proposed to begin work.

In developing by a 200-foot shaft, with drifts and cross-cuts, and recent tests made of ore from the bottom of the shaft are said to have given return of over \$40 in gold per ton.

The last mill run of ore from the Good Hope mine in the Perris district yielded \$40 to the ton.

The Riverside Press reports the recording of a deed at Riverside, conveying the Hawthorn group of mines in the Taunquin district by J. R. Newberry to D. T. Jackson of Colton, and another deed was recorded transferring the mines from the latter to G. Charlier of Denver.

The mines included in the latter deed include the Lily, Lucky Boy, Golden Bell, Minnehaha and Adventure claims.

ZINC DEPOSITS.
The deposits of zinc ore recently discovered on the San Vicente ranch, six miles from the terminus of the Cuyamaca Railroad, San Diego county, are attracting considerable attention.

The ore was discovered some time ago, but the finders of it did not know what it was.

According to the San Diego Union, Col. G. Collier Robbins, a mining engineer, has examined the ore, and pronounces it zinc ore of a first-class quality.

It is also stated that two men from Janin the zinc ore district in Massachusetts, and examined the ledge, and expressed themselves astonished at the extent and quality of the ore.

RICH STRIKE OF SILVER.
A strike of rich silver ore is reported to have been made in the Tunda mine, a few miles southeast of Chloride, Ariz.

The ore contains silver and lead in about equal proportions. A report from Chloride states that the new ore body was found at a depth of only seventeen feet, and is nearly four feet wide, the vein being well defined between lime and porphyry walls.

The locality is a good one, being near the Midnight, Old Mexican and Metairie Accident mines. The strike has acted as a stimulus to work in the vicinity, and a number of new holes have been started on adjacent claims.

COLORADO GROUP SOLD.
The Denver Times reports the sale of the Terrible and Butterfly group of mines at Telluride, Colo., together with the thirty-stamp mill at Ophir station to Calvin Bullock of Denver for \$200,000.

The Butterfly has a fine record as a gold producer.

BIG MEXICAN PROPERTY.
Advices from Mexico City state that the El Oro Mining and Railway Com-

pany of London, Eng., which includes in its ownership of the American Mining Company and the American Lumber Company and the American El Oro has just increased its capital from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000. This is equivalent to \$10,000,000 silver (Mexican), the largest amount of capital ever invested in a mining company in that country.

The additional \$1,000,000 subscribed will be, in part, devoted to the erection of an additional 100-stamp mill. The company has just completed a new mill of 100 stamps which is now in first-class running order.

THE ELKTON'S GREAT STRIKE.
One of the richest strikes yet made in Cripple Creek, Colo., is reported to have been made in the Elkton mine, one of the big properties of that famous district.

The Colorado Spring Record says of it: "In the sixth level of this well-known mine there has been opened up a foot of ore that gave assays of \$100 to the ton. The silver content is like silver and the values are plainly to be seen. However, some of the rich rock from across the face of the ledge has been assayed more as a satisfaction than to determine the shipping value of the rock, and gave the above results."

MINING NOTES.
The California Borax Company have bought the Gordon Bros' mine and mill in the state range, Inyo county, Cal. Consideration, \$15,000. They will at once add eight more stamps, making it a ten-stamp mill.

The copper mine at Copperopolis, Cal., has been unwaters to the fifth level, which leaves 400 feet yet to be cleared of water. As the largest stops are yet to be reached the heaviest work is yet to be finished, says the Angels Record.

The Rossland (B. C.) Miner says that the highest-paid man in the mining business in British Columbia is J. W. Collins, general mining manager and consulting engineer for the British American Corporation—\$50,000 a year.

The directors of the Yellow Aster company have declared their December dividend, amounting to \$20,000. This makes the total amount of dividends paid by the company \$13,750.

The new hoist lately put in by the company is running nicely, and more ore is being developed every month.

The Mexican Secretary of Fomento, Manuel Fernandez Leal, has had a very large and splendid collection of ores of the Pachuma district made for the Paris exhibition. It is said to be the most complete collection ever made.

Prof. W. P. Blake, Territorial Geologist of Arizona, reports officially that thus far none of the samples of rock from the Arizona discovery submitted to him for determination contain platinum contents contain that metal.

So far as known, the largest pump is at Lake Linden, Mich., pumping water from the Calumet and Hecla Mining Company, at the rate of 2,500,000 gallons per hour, a triple-expansion pumping engine, requiring 1500 horse power.

The new Helvetia (Arizona) 175-ton smelter is in operation. Basing an estimate on 5 per cent. ore, it is said the smelter will net \$1000 a day. The copper will contain about 35 in gold and silver. The metal will be refined electrolytically.

The introduction of steam traction engines at the Grand Reef mines of J. W. Mackay in Arizona is said to save him the cost of transportation between the mines and the railroad from \$8 to \$3 per ton.

Some very rich ore was recently entered in the Black Oak mine, Tuolumne county, Cal.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.
FIVE TO BE HELD WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

Within the next two weeks five farmers' institutes are to be held in as many towns in the northern section of the State. The series will begin this afternoon at Ontario, where a two days' session of an educational school for farmers will be held on the day after Christmas, and on the day following, the farmers in the vicinity of Bloomington will hold an institute there, closing on the morning of December 27.

On that same afternoon the institute at Highgrove will begin its sessions and continue until the evening of the 29th inst. On December 29 and 30 at Highland the farmers of that section of the State will assemble to discuss agricultural subjects.

Extensive preparations have been made for this meeting of the farmers and orchardists. Experts in the various branches of agriculture will be present from various places, some of them coming from the Agricultural Department at Washington, and others from the larger educational institutions of this State.

It is expected that the attendance will be larger than that of any former similar meeting in years, as many of the farmers will come to the institutes for the first time.

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COURT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, NO. 414, meets every Monday evening at Unity Hall, 122 N. Main St., L. W. Ferguson, Financial Secretary, C. J. Gould, Chief Ranger.

SONS OF ST. GEORGE.
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An illustrated description of the manner in which the citizens of our neighbor republic celebrate their feast and fast days. By J. Torrey Connor.

THE FIGHT WITH SNOW.
Some interesting facts about the way in which the great railroads keep their tracks clear during the winter. By R. O. A.

CHRISTMAS AFTER SANTIAGO.
A touching story of the Christmas of 1895 in the home of a fallen soldier's family. By Sarah Winter Kellogg.

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An account of the work of the enumerators, their interesting and amusing experiences. By R. S. B.

X-RAY DEVELOPMENTS.
A highly entertaining story appropriate to the season, under the title "Christmas Eve at Does." By Mrs. Charles Stewart Daggett.

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Another delightful story appropriate to the day. By Isabel Bate Winslow.

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Where he lives and how he works and plays, described after a personal visit. By D. A. Willey.

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A charming Christmas story, the scene of which is laid at one of our beaches. By Elizabeth Vore.

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How to Dress Daughters—American styles best for American girls. Letitia Tyler—She was mistress of the White House fifty years ago. Enamelled Butterflies—A woman who wears them in her ball gowns, etc., etc.

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City Briefs.

Dr. Frank Comer, who has recently arrived in Southern California, from England, is an old associate of Dr. D. R. Wilder, they having been in practice together in Thibaultville, Pa., in 1871 and 1872, since which time Dr. Comer has made a reputation for himself as being one of the cleverest and foremost operators in dental surgery in the world. Dr. Comer hopes to be able to induce his old friend and colleague to join him in his practice in Los Angeles for the winter months to introduce Dr. Comer's invention of removable bridge-work, which has been practicing successfully in London for several years past, and for which he has been granted "Letters Patent" in the United States as well as in Great Britain.

Remember the needy. Save your cast-off clothing, beds, bedding or stoves for poor families of the city. A request is also made for shoes and clothing for poor children. There are many poor families in need of wholesome food, potatoes, beans, groceries, or canned fruit will be most thankfully received. Drop a card to Fred Vrikstad, at the "Good Samaritan" (formerly Capt. Pratt's place), No. 125 East Seventh street, and anything you have to donate will be called for.

R. B. Young is the architect who designed and superintended the construction of the new Pacific Hospital, a full description of which appeared in yesterday's Times. The building is a model one, and admirably adapted to its purpose, and Mr. Young deserves great credit for this latest monument to his knowledge and ability as an architect. By special arrangement The Times is able to furnish excellent medallions at from 45 to 80 cents, according to style and size, to any person subscribing for The Times. Medallions have been at The Times business office. Bring your photo with you. The better the photo, the better the medallion.

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Dr. J. T. Stewart has changed his residence to his private hospital, corner Pico and Grand avenues. Tel. west 14; but his office is in the Frost building.

We will close out our toilet rolls, shopping bags and chateaus Friday and Saturday. They are all bargains. D. D. Whitney, 423 S. Spring st.

The ladies of the Aid Society of the First M. E. Church will hold a delicacy sale Saturday afternoon, December 23, at Illinois Hall, 607 1/2 S. Broadway.

Large stock of ladies' and gents' gold rings in opals, turquoise, Arizona rubies, etc., at lowest prices. Campbell's Curio Store, 225 S. Spring st.

A good breakfast tastefully cooked for little money, served in a large, steam-heated dining-room, 118 South Spring, Royal Restaurant.

Hand-painted yucca palm needle books, 10 cents; artistic decorations in orange wood. Winkler's Curio, 346 S. Broadway.

Bargains in table cutlery, carving sets, dog collars, etc., at C. Ducommun's, 300 and 302 N. Main st.

Another shipment of up-to-date suit cases just in. See our \$8 and \$10 suits. D. D. Whitney, 423 S. Spring.

Mr. E. G. Howard will be in his office as usual on the afternoon of December 13, 222 Broadway Block.

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For time of arrival and departure of Santa Fe trains, see "Time Card" in today's Times.

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The receipts at the stamp window at the Los Angeles postoffice amounted to \$831 yesterday. While lower than the day preceding, the week's average is over \$1000 per day.

The W.C.T.U. will commemorate the twenty-sixth anniversary of the temperance crusade at its meeting this afternoon. Some of the original crusaders will be present.

The manual training section of the Southern California Teachers' Association meets this afternoon in the Young Women's Christian Association Hall on Second street between Spring and Broadway.

The Boys' and Girls' Aid Society appeals for contributions of money, toys and useful articles. J. C. Salsbury, 201 Currier building, Third street, between Spring and Broadway, will receive donations.

The board of managers of the Los Angeles Orphans' Home, corner Yale and Alpine, announce a Christmas tree with exercises by the children for Saturday evening, December 23, at 7. There will be no admission fee.

Donald Selman, 12 years old, who has a penchant for running away from home, absented himself from school last Friday and has not been seen or heard from since. Some time ago he left home and was found living with a Spanish family in Yuma, Ariz.

Local mail boxes are to secure a new coat of paint. Master Mathews received word yesterday that the contract for painting letter and paper boxes aluminum bronze had been let. The stenciling on the letter boxes will be done in red, while on the package boxes will be a design recently adopted by the department. All posts on which boxes are to be stenciled will be painted a bronze green.

Highland Park Notes.

Las tonight a programme consisting of essays, orations and music, was given in the college auditorium by the students of the college department.

The last match football game of the season was played on the Occidental grounds between the Occidental and the Los Angeles High School teams, with a score of 11 to 0 in favor of the High School.

Today, Friday, December 22, the fall term of college closes. The winter term will open Wednesday, January 3.

SENT HOME IN A BARREL.

PREDICAMENT OF A PORTER WHO SHOOK DICE.

One of the colored porters of the Westminster went out Wednesday night to have a good time, and got into a dice game in a saloon on Los Angeles street. He lost all his money shaking for drinks, borrowed some more and lost that, and then desperately tried to retrieve his fortunes by staking his clothes, piece by piece. But luck ran cross-wise for him, and first his hat, then his coat and vest followed his cash.

"Tail goes with the hide," said the unlucky gambler, and shucking his trousers, he hung them upon the counter and rattled the dice again. Bird, the barber, couldn't lose if he tried, and the porter's trousers were added to the barber's pile, and the whole outfit was locked up in the safe.

But the saloon-keeper was a benevolent person, and he loaned to the plucked porter an empty barrel with both ends knocked out, which served fairly well to protect him from the chill morning air, and the attentions of the police. Clad in the barrel, the porter walked through the streets to the house in which he lodged, intending to get into his other clothes, but the landlady declined to admit him to his room because he hadn't paid the rent, and she held the other suit as security. At last accounts the porter was wandering about in his barrel, searching for a friend to assist him in getting his clothing out of soak, and Bird was gloating gleefully over the predicament in which he had placed his opponent.

To Enjoin Oil Pumping.

Another suit to enjoin certain property-owners in the western section of the city from operating oil wells in the resident district was begun in the United States Circuit Court yesterday. Hiram Higgins of Chicago, the complainant. He alleges that Richard and Calvin Green, and W. L. and Guy L. Hardison are operating oil wells on property near his residence, on Wilshire boulevard. The complaint states that the smoke and gas from the engine and well are noxious and asks that the defendants be compelled to cease operating.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday from the office of the County Clerk:

Raymond W. Lefferts, aged 30, a native of New York, and Louise Parker, aged 22, a native of Germany; both residents of Simi, Ventura county.

John R. Murray, aged 50, a native of Connecticut, and Agnes Lyon, aged 36, a native of California; both residents of Los Angeles.

W. Bentley Higgins, aged 23, a native of Ohio, and Elizabeth A. S. Rutledge, aged 22, a native of Canada; both residents of Los Angeles.

William A. Jones, aged 69, a native of Indiana, and Mrs. Hattie Stark, aged 30, a native of Florida; both residents of Los Angeles.

Samuel Briggs, aged 70, a native of England, and Mrs. Millie Ingledue, aged 50, a native of Michigan; both residents of Los Angeles.

Willis L. Clark, aged 34, a native of Colorado, and Edith A. Dair, aged 36, a native of Illinois; both residents of Los Angeles.

DEATH RECORD.

BIGGS—In this city, December 21, 1899, Margaret H., beloved wife of Frank K. Biggs, aged 22 years.

Funeral from the undertaking parlors of the Dexter Samsen Company, No. 523 South Spring street, Saturday, December 23, at 2 p.m. Friends invited. Interment private. (San Diego papers please copy.)

WILSON—At his home, central avenue and Forty-second street, this city, Thomas E. Wilson, a native of Canada, aged 55 years.

Funeral from parlors of Orr & Hines, No. 647 South Broadway, Friday, December 22, 1899, at 2 o'clock p.m. Friends and acquaintances invited. Interment Rosefield.

O'CONNOR—In this city, December 20, John J. O'Connor, a native of Ireland, aged 41 years.

Funeral from the undertaking parlors of Cunningham & O'Connor, 304 1/2 South Main street, Friday, December 22, at 2 p.m. Interment New Calvary cemetery.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Loretta McEwen, daughter of William H. and Pauline McEwen, will be held at the family residence, No. 724 East Ninth street, at 2 p.m. today.

F. OF A. ATTENTION!

Members of Court Sunset, No. 68, Foresters of America, are requested to attend the funeral of our late brother, John J. O'Connor, Forester, H. N. No. 107, North Main street, Friday, December 22, 1899, at 1 p.m. sharp. Sister courts are invited. By order of J. CASTILLA, Chief Ranger.

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(REAL ESTATE RECORD.)

HOUSE AND LOT.

REVIEW OF THE REAL ESTATE OUTLOOK.

A Steady Demand for First-class Property Has Prevailed and Prices Have Been Good.

Broadway the Favorite Business Street and for Residences Westlake Park District and the Southwest.

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The past week has been a quiet one in local real estate circles. Holiday preparations have occupied the minds of most citizens and interfered to some extent with business.

THE REAL ESTATE OUTLOOK.
Now that the year is drawing to a close it is an appropriate time to glance at the condition of local real estate.

The past year has not been characterized by anything in the nature of a boom, but there has been a steady demand for good property at fair prices, while building improvement has gone forward without ceasing.

BUSINESS PROPERTY.

In business property Broadway has still had the call over other thoroughfares. The demand for property on this street, between Second and Seventh, has been ahead of the supply at market prices. This active demand for Broadway property has had its effect on Hill street, which is beginning to come into demand as a prospective business thoroughfare. The coming year is likely to see a marked advance in prices of Hill-street property, between Second and Fifth. The side streets between Main and Hill and First and Seventh have also come prominently to the front during the past year and several sales have been made at good figures.

Spring street has held its own, without many sales of importance. Property on this thoroughfare is regarded by the owners as a permanent investment, and it is not likely to remain so long, as the tendency above referred to for business to slip over from Broadway into Hill street is increasing, and unless the South Main-street people come together and push things they are likely to be left out in the cold for many years to come.

North of First street, on Spring and Main streets, there has been some talk of building improvements, but they have ended in nothing. The decline in values in this section of the city, which only a few years ago was the choicest business section, is an instance of the effect of the decline in the policy on part of property-owners has on real estate values. If half a dozen other property-owners had shown the same enterprise displayed by Mr. Bullard in putting up his fine block on the site of the old Courthouse, rents between First and Temple streets would today be twice as high as they are, and the merchants would be making more money.

North Broadway affords something of an exception to this condition of affairs, during the past year the demand for property on that street having somewhat improved. It has become evident to many that, as the Times has frequently remarked, property on Broadway between First and Temple, at the prices that have prevailed during the past few years, certainly offers greater chances for profit than similar property on South Broadway, where from three to five times as much per front foot is asked. The opening of the North Broadway tunnel will undoubtedly prove a great stimulus to travel on the street, and a marked improvement is expected.

RESIDENCE PROPERTY.
The chief demand has been for lots in two sections of the city, where the finest improvements have been made, namely, around Westlake Park, and in the southwest. The advance of the oil wells toward Westlake Park has not had so injurious an effect on property values as might have been expected. Owners, as well as investors, apparently rely on the ability and good sense of the Council to restrict further incursions on part of the oil men. A number of handsome new residences have gone up in this section, and more are planned for the near future.

The southwestern part of town has been so thickly built up during the past few years that vacant lots are becoming the exception, rather than the rule, and prices throughout the greater part of this section have stiffened of late. The exceptionally good car facilities of this section have had a great effect in promoting settlement, a fact which should be noted by owners of property in other parts of the city.

The near-in hill section has not made the advance that was expected at the beginning of the year, when the big improvements between Third and Sixth streets were under way. It was expected that the Third-street tunnel would be open by this time, but that improvement has been much delayed. Then again, the high cost and frequent inconveniences attached to grading work in the hill sections have discouraged a good many investors in opening up new hill residence sections. It would be a good idea for the city to adopt the suggestion that has frequently been made in these columns and follow the natural contour of the ground, as was done at Crown Hill and at Angeles Heights, rather than to cut deep gashes and make heavy fills, involving great expense and disfiguring the landscape.

That part of the hill section in the old oil district still continues depressed and semi-deserted, a warning of what may be expected in other residence sections should the oil well invade them. The extreme northwestern part of the city still remains in statu quo, few improvements having been made there. The great natural attractions of this section have frequently been referred to, and must in time make of it a favorite residence section, provided the right kind of improvements are inaugurated.

Boyle Heights has seen a prosperous year, the opening of the new street-car line and the improvement of Holmbeck Park having directed the attention of investors and home-seekers this way, and a number of new residences have been erected.

East Los Angeles property continues quiet. If the much-talked-of boulevard could be built through East Los Angeles, avoiding the long ride through

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the railroad tracks and factory section north of the Plaza, this charming residence section would, undoubtedly, experience a rapid growth. The residence section along Central avenue, south of Seventh street, has not gone ahead as rapidly during the past year as it did in previous years, when a prominent real estate firm, which brought this section to the front, was booming it. This section has many natural advantages, prominent among which is a fine deep loamy soil, which makes no mud and facilitates the rapid growth of vegetation.

CAHUENGA VALLEY SALES.

The F. J. Call place on Western avenue, in the Cahuenga Valley, has just been sold through the real estate and loan agency of Lee A. McConnell & Co. The ranch contains ten acres of full-bearing oranges and lemons and some of the finest ornamental and shrub trees on the western continent. There is also an excellent water-right with this tract. The place was sold to Mrs. A. M. McCray and will be used as a home for herself and family. The ranch is located in what is known as the frostless belt, on the new electric line to Hollywood. Many beautiful homes are dotting this valley along the new line. The same firm has also sold for E. J. Curson six and a quarter acres in West Hollywood to L. C. Cline and J. F. Paulding for \$2000. These gentlemen will improve the six acres and use it for a home.

LAKESHORE BOULEVARD.

It seems to be a most difficult thing to get a real boulevard built in Los Angeles. Many have been built on paper during the past ten years, but the first one still has to be seen in fact.

It was to be hoped that the construction of what is known as Lakeshore boulevard, from the east side of the Third-street tunnel to Elysian Park was a certainty, but another obstacle has come up in the shape of a protest from parties owning oil land which the boulevard would pass near the old Second-street Park. These parties claim—and there is doubtless some justice in the claim—that their property, being only valuable for oil at present, would not be benefited by the boulevard improvements and they also claim that the boulevard in that section would soon be cut up by the oil wagons. They are willing to pay a part of the assessment against their property but protest against paying the balance.

The Times has heretofore published full particulars in regard to this proposed improvement, which is a desirable one, opening up a territory that is now almost inaccessible and bringing Elysian and Griffith parks into easy reach from the business center. Residents in the northern part of Los Angeles, which has been much neglected in the allotment of public funds, have a right to expect a little consideration from the Council.

SIDEWALKS NEEDED.

While enterprising contractors in search of a job have succeeded in inducing the Council to lay sidewalks in all sorts of out-of-the-way locations, where they will not be needed for many years, there are some close-in streets which have been entirely neglected in this respect. One of these is Temple street, between Bunker Hill avenue and Pearl streets, where the sidewalk is like the bed of a rocky mountain stream and after a rain is almost impassable. This street is much traveled and some way should be found to compel property-owners to make a decent sidewalk.

PROPOSED REAL ESTATE CONVENTION.

The Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association is in receipt of a communication from T. J. Skaggs, secretary of the Texas Real Estate Association at Fort Worth, stating that a movement is on foot to call a national or international convention of real-estate owners, dealers and promoters, and asking if local organizations wish to assist in working up such a gathering.

REAL ESTATE TREATY.

A dispatch from Washington states that the President has again sent to the Senate the treaty between the United States and Great Britain relating to the tenure and disposition of real estate and personal property. The treaty provides "that where, on the death of any person holding real property within the territories of one of the contracting parties, such property would by the laws of the land pass to a citizen or subject of the other, were he not disqualified by the laws of the country where the real property is situated, such citizen or subject shall be allowed a term of three years in which to sell the same, this term to be reasonably prolonged if circumstances render it necessary."

BUILDING.

The contract for one of the finest residences that has yet been erected in Los Angeles was filed a few days ago. It is to be built by Kaspare Cohn, on the southwest corner of Grand avenue and Adams street, under the supervision of A. M. Edelman as architect. The Builder and Contractor gives the following description of the building:

It will be two stories, with large attic and basement, and will cover a floor space of about 6500 feet. The foundation walls, piers, footings and chimneys will be of hard-burnt brick, laid up with cement mortar. The exterior walls, lintels, window sills, porch and veranda columns, bases, caps and balustrades, from the ground line to the second-story floor joists, will be in Arizona sandstone. The stone in the basement walls to be rock faced and laid in alternate wide and narrow courses from the ground line up to the sill courses, and smooth-faced from the sill courses to the top of the first-story walls. The columns, caps, etc., will be turned and artistically carved. The main front steps will be granite; the basement, side porches and steps, cement. From the first-story walls the exterior will be open timber work, with cement plaster filling over expanded-metal lath. The roof will be covered with slate shingles of an unfading green color, with galvanized-iron ridges, etc. Entire oak floors will be laid in the first story, main hall, dressing-rooms and closets; the parlor, sitting, dining and breakfast-rooms will have pine floors, with a two-foot oak border. The second-story main hall and chambers will have a two-foot maple border; the bath and dressing-rooms of the second story, entire maple floors. The attic, which will contain servants' quarters, and a large assembly hall, will have a polished pine floor. The doors will be quarter-sawn oak

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and birch veneered. The interior wood finish will be birch, quarter-sawn oak, redwood, white cedar and yellow pine. The ceiling of the main hall and dining-room will have beams of hardwood, with corbels and ornamental brackets. The parlor, sitting and dining-rooms and main hall will have plaster finish, with capos over the windows and panel-work wainscoting. In the dining-room a quarter-sawn oak mantel and sideboard will be built, a buff-colored pressed brick mantel with brick hearth will be built in the main hall, and a mosaic floor will be laid in the front vestibule. Plate-glass windows, glazed tile wainscoting, nickel-plated plumbing and instantaneous heaters are among the specialties provided. The painting and varnishing will be three-coat work, and handsomely finished in imitation of Flemish oak, antique mahogany and natural finish. The walls and ceilings will be tinted in various colors. A complete system of automatic electrical appliances will be installed for lighting and other purposes. The estimated cost is about \$30,000.

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HAY CONSUMED BY FIRE.

BIG BARN OF BAKER-MEAD COMPANY BURNED.

Two Thousand Tons of Hay and Four Hundred Tons of Straw Destroyed—An Adjacent Cottage also Consumed—Total Loss Upward of Thirty Thousand Dollars.

The fourth great hay fire that has occurred in Los Angeles since hay has become a valuable commodity, owing to a succession of dry seasons, broke out about 6 o'clock yesterday morning in the barn of the Baker & Mead Company, at East Seventh and Lawrence streets. The building, a structure which covered nearly an acre of ground, and contents were entirely destroyed, entailing a loss of upward of \$30,000, upon which there is \$24,000 insurance.

The barn was the largest hay storage warehouse in the city, and contained about 2000 tons of hay and 400 tons of straw. The hay would average about \$12 per ton, and the straw was worth from \$5 to \$6 per ton. The loss on the hay is thus computed at \$24,000, and the loss on the straw at \$2,000. The building cost \$6500. The aggregate loss, according to these figures, which are the estimates made by a member of the company, is \$32,500. These figures are probably extreme, but the net loss to the proprietors, after deducting insurance, will hardly fall below \$6000.

The principal stockholders in the Baker & Mead Company, upon whom the bulk of the loss falls, are R. M. Baker, State Assemblyman, William Mead and John J. Wilde, Jud Seeger and Miss Edna Baker are lesser stockholders. Eleven hundred tons of the hay burned belonged to the company, and about 900 tons belonged to farmers who were paying storage. The hay was insured at \$2 per ton less than its market value, and the building for \$5000, in the Home Insurance Company of New York, for which Assemblyman Mead is the local agent. Of the net loss \$1800 to \$2000 will fall on farmers who were storage patrons of the company.

A cottage belonging to the Alcazar Paying Company, occupied by Frank W. Creswell, foreman of the latter company, and situated south of the hay barn on the opposite side of the street, was also destroyed with its contents. Creswell's belongings were insured for \$300. A row of cottages on Lawrence street were threatened by the fire, but escaped with little damage.

The origin of the fire is unknown. Some of the persons interested ascribe it to spontaneous combustion; others incline to the theory of incendiarism, but there is no tangible foundation for suspicion against any alleged incendiary. The building was considered tramp-proof, as it was surrounded by a picket fence eight feet high and topped with barbed wire. Superintendent Wilde had been in the habit of sleeping in the barn, but owing to illness had slept at his home on Olive street for a few nights past, so there was no responsible person in or about the building when the fire began. The flames were first noticed by T. J. Douglass, foreman of the California Warehouse, situated near the hay barn. An explosion occurred about the time the fire broke out, and instantly the whole building appeared to burst into flames. The Creswell cottage took fire when the south end of the hay barn fell out and bales of burning hay rolled across the street.

The fire department was summoned by telephone as soon as discovery of the fire was made. Chief Moore and a large corps of fire-fighters were soon on the ground, but their efforts were solely directed to saving adjacent property, as the hay barn and its contents were doomed from the start. All day yesterday a vast column of smoke rolled up to the sky and the huge pyramid of burning hay threw out intense heat. Many spectators were attracted to the scene throughout the day, and large crowds surrounded the fiery mass last evening. It will probably be several days before the fire will have burned itself out.

The stock of hay consumed materially decreases the supply in storage in Los Angeles, but it is not expected that the market will be appreciably affected by the loss.

MANSON CREEK DIGGINGS.

PLACER CLAIMS THERE OF GREAT RICHNESS.

The richness of the placer mines of British Columbia has long been a matter of common knowledge to mining men. To those of them who are familiar with that country the discoveries along the Yukon River and its branches were not surprising, and ever since the Klondike strike was made, causing such a rush of fortune hunters into the frozen north, there have been those who predicted many times that elsewhere in the vast territory between Dawson and the American border discoveries equal to those of the Klondike and Bonanza Creek would be made. That entire country is traversed by large and small streams, comparatively few of which have been thoroughly prospected, because they are so remote from bases of supplies. That gold is to be found in most of them has been established by the finding of "colors" in various places, but paying quantities of the precious metal have been discovered at comparatively few points. Since the Klondike craze hundreds of prospectors have been tramping over the country, and from time to time reports of discoveries there have been made, but by returning miners. Nearly all such reports have been too vague as to the exact location of the alleged discoveries to cause any rush to any particular section of the country, more attention being paid to the Cape Nome reports, the Copper River country and the Yakutat placers than to other diggings in the interior.

George W. Otterson has just returned from Lower British Columbia, where he has been engaged in the development of properties in the Manson Creek district. He is manager of the Del Oro Mining Company, which has made large investments in machinery, etc., and which will begin operations on its properties in the spring. According to Mr. Otterson's statements, the Manson Creek country promises to rival the Klondike in richness. It is reached by going up the Skeena River 18 miles, and then over the Hazelton trail 156 miles to Manson Creek. Several mining companies are now engaged in working claims along the creek. The St. Anthony Exploration Company of Santa Barbara, in which T. R. Moore and Jarrett Richards are largely interested, owns hydraulic claims covering 1800 acres on the Manson, Evans, Curry and Germanen creeks, which will be opened in the spring. Mr. Otterson says the gravel in this company's claims yields from 50 cents to \$12 per yard.

On Kildare Gulch the Forty-third Mining and Milling Company of Ottawa, has expended \$108,000 on its development plant, and according to Mr. Otterson, the gravel on its property yields from \$1 to \$7.50 per yard. Mr. Otterson says the Arctic Slope Company, working in the same district, took out 110 ounces of gold in sixteen days, working ten hours per day. The Del Oro Mining Company, of which Mr. Otterson is manager, has invested \$12,000 on its properties, and in the spring will begin operations on a large scale.

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